

SHOPMEN ACCEPT PEACE PLAN

SPENCER MAKES PUBLIC DETAILS OF FUEL PLAN

Federal Government Will Distribute Coal to Railways and States.

GOVERNORS TO ASSIST

Will Control Local Supply—District Committees Being Organized.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—Government plans for distribution of coal during the existing emergency were announced tonight by Fuel Distributor Spencer at a conference with Sec'y Hoover and the central committee appointed by Pres't Harding. The federal organization in Washington, he said, will cover the distribution of available supplies among the railways, federal institutions and states, while the governors of states will handle local supply.

Pending completion of the federal organization, Mr. Spencer said three intermediate stages will ensue: First, normal business by the operators will continue; then, priority buyers under the interstate commerce commission service order No. 23 will gradually encroach upon operators' business; and finally, coal orders placed through the federal fuel distributor will absorb the entire output of the mines.

District Committees. Provision has been made for the establishment of district committees to represent the federal distribution administration in the producing fields with special arrangements for supplying the Great Lakes section. District committees set up in the coal fields are to consist of a naval officer, representing the federal fuel distributor; a representative of the interstate commerce commission; a representative of the railroads; and representatives of the coal operators.

District headquarters have been established as follows: Norton, Va., for all Virginia mines except the Pocahontas district; Bismarck, N. D., for the Pocahontas; Winding Gulf, New River, Tug River and Virginia districts; Huntington, W. Va., Kanawha, Logan, Williamson and Big Sandy districts; Knoxville, Tenn., fields in southeastern Kentucky outside of Harlan and Hazard and all mines in Tennessee; Louisville, Ky., Harlan, Hazard and fields on the Louisville & Nashville and Illinois Central railroads; and Birmingham, Ala., for all mines in Alabama.

Railway Group. Distribution of fuel for the railroads is to be gradually concentrated in the hands of a railway coal committee composed of coal buyers from the different railway groups. State fuel committees are to report at once the consumption of coal in their territories by utilities, household users and industries, together with a list of those who should receive priority. Governors' committees were made entirely responsible for the prevention of profiteering and extortion in the sale and distribution of coal within their state and will distribute coal.

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FIVE OF CREW DIE AS TUG BLOWS UP

Boiler of Harbor Boat Explodes While Craft Is Docked at Brooklyn.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—The harbor tug Edward was blown to pieces today and the five men of her crew were killed when her boiler exploded while she lay in her slip on the Brooklyn side of the East river three blocks upstream from the Manhattan bridge.

There was a heavy puff of smoke and clouds of steam, and through the air a sharp report was heard when the boiler exploded. The tug was blown to pieces and the five men of her crew were killed.

The mangled remains of the ship, Capt. Charles McCaffery, were found floating a block from where his tug blew up. One other body was recovered. The remaining three men were missing tonight. A diver who found the hull broken in many places, said he saw no bodies under the surface. Part of the boiler fell upon a pier 200 feet away, and boiler tubing landed on top of a power plant, an equal distance from the pier.

The cause of the blast had not been determined tonight. The tug had just arrived from another section to take the large Dutch Boy in tow when the accident occurred.

THE WEATHER.
Indiana and Lower Michigan: Rain Thursday and probably Friday; not much change in temperature.

Renominated



Alice Robertson of Oklahoma, only woman member of Congress, who won her race for renomination Tuesday.

SENATE PLANS FOR EARLY VOTE UPON TARIFF MEASURE

Democrats Would Act on Bill August 19—Republicans Favor August 17.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—A unanimous consent tomorrow in the senate for a final vote on the administration tariff bill on either August 17 or 19 was hoped for tonight by both republican and democratic leaders after a series of proposals, counter-proposals and conferences on the subject.

Objection by a single senator would upset the carefully laid plans, but the leaders on both sides said they knew of no senator who was unwilling that there should be a speedy ending to the controversy that has engaged the senate practically continuously since April 20.

The first move for an agreement for a final vote came from the democratic side, Sen. Simmons of North Carolina, after a conference with other minority leaders, proposing August 19 as the date. Action on this proposal was deferred at the request of Sen. Simmons and after the senate adjourned, majority and minority leaders went into conference. Just what transpired at this session is not altogether clear, but spokesmen for each side declared that the senate would renew his original proposition upon the convening of the senate at noon tomorrow and that the republicans would put forward a counter proposal for a vote on August 17.

DEBTS UP TO U. S., IS BRITISH STAND

Members of Congress Express Disapproval of Cancellation Suggestion.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—(By U. P.)—Great Britain has put the onus of international debts squarely upon the shoulders of America in its note to France, Belgium and Italy. Great Britain is owed approximately 3,400,000,000 sterling, exclusive of interest, and owes the United States about one-fourth that sum.

No move by the Lloyd George government since the war has excited such feeling in the anti-government press.

Congressmen Object. WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(By U. P.)—A chorus of emphatic "noes" from members of congress today greeted the British debt cancellation proposals.

There was every indication that there has not been the slightest weakening of the position taken along by American legislators, the American people expect Europe to repay dollar for dollar, plus interest, the \$15,000,000,000 war debt.

M'CRAY TAKES CHARGE OF TWO MINES IN STATE

Coal to Be Dug in Clay County Under Protection of National Guard.

MARTIAL LAW DECLARED

Indiana Operators Renew Offer of Single-State Wage Negotiations.

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—The action of Gov. McCray in reopening two strip mines in Clay county under protection of 800 state troops is but a preliminary step toward the production of coal in sufficient quantities to meet emergency needs in Indiana unless miners and operators speedily reach an agreement ending the coal strike, it was learned today. It is believed that the governor will not move toward taking over additional mines until after pending negotiations between miners and operators are concluded, but such action is forecast for the immediate future unless an agreement is reached.

Following issuance of a proclamation declaring a state of martial law to exist in the towns of Staunton, Cloverland, Williamstown and Turner and Posey township, all in Clay county, Gov. McCray announced he had taken over two strip mines of the Rowland Power Consolidated Collieries Co. These mines are in the hands of a receiver, James Cooper of Terre Haute, appointed by the federal court.

"It must be remembered," said Gov. McCray, "that the federal relationship places the United States government behind these mines." This statement was taken to mean that any interference with operation of the mines would be an offense against both the federal and state laws.

Statistics in the office of the state mine inspector indicate that the two mines taken over have been recorded as producing a total of 18,000 tons of coal a month. This tonnage will be sufficient to meet the immediate emergency needs of the state institutions it was said.

After declaring martial law in the mine district, Gov. McCray issued a statement addressed to the miners of Indiana asking for men to work in the mines re-opened under state authority. It is understood, however, that men to operate the mines will be available in the event the Indiana miners refuse to answer the governor's appeal. Preparatory work for mining coal will begin tomorrow morning, it was announced.

Word was received by Adj. Gen. Harry B. Smith this afternoon that the 800 men of the first and second battalions of the 151st infantry, the units ordered to the coal fields have reached Staunton, which will be headquarters of the troops.

RENEW PARLEY OFFER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 2.—A renewal of the invitation to striking Indiana miners to meet with representatives of the Indiana Bituminous Coal operators association to negotiate a single state wage agreement was made tonight by the scale committee of the operators' association, in a statement issued here.

Declaring the operators share the desire of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, to reach an agreement with the coal operators, the scale committee said it was ready to meet with the miners at any time and place.

Gov. McCray has received word that Gov. Davis of Ohio, Gov. Grosbeck of Michigan and the brother of Gov. Morrow of Kentucky, as his representative, will attend the conference. No reply has been received from Gov. Small of Illinois.

The governors of Wisconsin, West Virginia and Pennsylvania who were invited to the conference, will not be able to attend on account of urgent duties arising from the strike situation.

Plans for co-operation in the production of coal will be considered at the meeting. Gov. Grosbeck of Michigan is understood to have a plan for a settlement of the strike which will be presented to the conference for consideration. Gov. McCray in beginning the production of coal under state authority with the protection of state troops, is leading the way in the matter of providing coal for emergency purposes.

HAIL DAMAGES CROPS \$1,000,000 IN IOWA
CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Aug. 2.—(By U. P.)—Hail, falling to a depth of six inches over an area two miles wide and nearly 30 miles long, caused damage amounting to more than \$1,000,000 to crops in Delaware, Lynn, Jones and Dubuque counties today. Nothing was left standing in the path of the storm. Hail stones were as large as eggs. Many farmers lost their entire crops.

Bequest of \$15,000,000 Makes Her Texas' Richest Girl



ANNE BURNETT, GRANDDAUGHTER OF TEXAS' RICHEST MAN, AND TOM BURNETT, HIS SON.

FIVE-CENT BUSES HELP RELIEVE CAR STRIKE CONGESTION

Chicago Street Car Employees Make New Peace Offer—Traffic Improved.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—The first of "the people's ownership and 5-cent fare" buses was placed in operation today by Mayor William Hale Thompson as the complete tieup of the city's electric transportation facilities through a strike of 25,000 street railway and elevated employees continued.

The mayor declared that he had an option on a fleet of auto trucks in New York at \$50 on the dollar and asked the corporation counsel for an opinion as to the legality of the city taking a \$50,000,000 traction fund now in its hands to install a municipally-owned bus transportation system on the lines of those in New York, London and Paris.

The second day of the strike, however, was marked by less congestion than was noted yesterday. The motor fleets were better organized, operated over definite routes and established standardized prices ranging from 10 to 50 cents, depending on the length of the haul.

Peace efforts were continued through the day, the strikers making an offer to accept a 65-cent rate in pay for working conditions and the eight-hour day were continued in force for another year. The present rate of pay is 80 cents.

At the same time agencies of the city, state and federal governments launched moves to end the city's traction tie-up.

Police Chief Fitzmorris got in touch with officers of the national guard last night. Charles Egan of the bomb squad, and Maj. John Rauder, who directed the police during the race riots, were called into conference with Fitzmorris.

Cots were placed in every police station. A large part of the force was allowed to go home last night "to get one good night's sleep."

REED'S LEAD IS DECREASED BY RURAL RETURNS

Plurality Over Long Drops From 25,000 to 9,000 Votes.

443 PRECINCTS ARE LEFT

Farm-Labor Candidate Near Victory in Oklahoma gubernatorial Fight.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—Sen. James A. Reed is leading Breckenridge Long for the democratic nomination for United States senator by 8,935 votes on the face of returns from all but 443 of the 8,648 precincts in Missouri. Returns from 8,045 precincts late tonight give Reed 185,380; Long, 176,445.

The senator's lead, which reached more than 25,000 this morning, was steadily whittled away as belated returns from rural districts where the Long stronghold laid, came in. Throughout the day Mr. Long maintained a consistent gain with an average loss of about 100 votes a precinct. If this ratio is maintained in the precincts yet to be heard from, Mr. Long has a chance of winning, probably by less than 2,000 votes.

In the republican senatorial race R. R. Brewster of Kansas City, endorsed by the regular organization, probably will win by 20,000 to 30,000 votes.

Returns from 2,637 precincts out of 3,848 give Brewster a lead of 1,195 over William Sucke of St. Louis, who ran on a platform advocating light wine and beer.

In the same 2,637 precincts, three avowed progressives divided among themselves a vote totalling more than 7,000 more than received by Mr. Brewster, but the leading progressive candidate was more than 40,000 votes behind the "old guard" candidate. The republican vote, with 1,211 precincts missing, gave Brewster 114,438 votes.

Only the complete returns can finally settle the matter whether Reed or Long is to carry the democratic banner into the November elections. An analysis of the vote in Reed territory in rural districts where Long is leading shows that a change from the existing ratio of 2 or 3 votes to the precinct in the 808 missing units would upset the victory which Mr. Long claims he will win.

WALTON SUE LENDS OKLAHOMA CITY OKLA., Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—With approximately two-thirds of the estimated total vote counted tonight, Mayor J. C. Walton of Oklahoma City, farmer, labor and anti-Klud Klan candidate, appeared virtually assured of the democratic nomination for governor. Walton increased his lead over R. H. Wilson, state superintendent of public instruction, and endorsed Ku Klud Klan candidate to almost 20,000 votes on the face of unofficial returns from 1,686 precincts out of a total of 2,837 in Oklahoma.

The vote stood, Walton, 76,230; Wilson, 59,723; Thomas H. Owen, 28,264. Owen a former state supreme court justice conceded Walton's nomination today. With all.

Expect No Contest. A provision of the will that Tom himself a wealthy rancher, will get nothing if he tries to break the will. Administrators say there will be no contest.

Tom was recently divorced from his wife, formerly Lucille Mulhall, who with her father took part in rodeo shows.

Capt. Burnett was a Texas cowboy who fought Indians and hunted buffalo. When he died at 74 he was a banker, rancher and capitalist. He started on borrowed money and built up his holdings until he owned three ranches covering 600,000 acres, stocked with high-bred cattle. Some of the biggest Texas oil wells were drilled on his property.

Record-Breaking Still Captured At Rural Home

What is said to be the largest "still" captured in these parts since the advent of prohibition was seized yesterday afternoon when Prohibition Enforcement Agent Harry Matris and Deputy Sheriff Gott raided the rural home of Paul Sealay, located on a country lane seven miles west of the city.

The still, which has a capacity of 125 gallons, was discovered in a dugout beneath the house, four gallons of "mule" and 150 gallons of mash being found nearby. The officers, after forcing their way into the house, were at first unable to discover any trace of liquor. Further investigation, however, revealed an entrance to the secret dugout underneath the building. Here the federal men found ample proof that Sealay had what at least appeared to be a "thriving" business. The mash, which was almost completely filled the dugout which was not small.

Sealay was arrested on a charge of illegal manufacture and possession of intoxicating liquor and later released on bond of \$1,000 for appearance in city court this morning.

COPS EMPLOY NEW HATCHET TO SMASH NINETEENTH BAR

Alec Lengyel's Wife and Brother Arrested After Scene at Saloon.

Steve Lengyel's bar and fixtures in the "Nineteenth Bar" at Washington and 19th were smashed by the local police bar-wrecking crew since Jan. 1, when they raided the place at 8:30 o'clock last night. Lengyel's place was completely wrecked by the details commanded by Capt. Hamilton, Sgt. Dehn and Officers Pinner, Withers, Kish and Whitmer.

Last night's bar-wrecking was the second to be performed at a place operated by Lengyel, his bar at 801 E. Chicago had been demolished on Feb. 11. At his trial on Feb. 15, Lengyel was convicted of unlawful possession of liquor for sale, fined \$100 and costs and given a 60 day suspended jail sentence. Lengyel appealed the case and the time and it has not been settled since.

Mrs. Frances Lengyel, wife of Alec Lengyel, who is said to be a partner with his brother, Steve, in the business at the Washington address, was also placed under arrest charged with unlawful possession of liquor for sale. Mrs. Lengyel had already poured out a drink of "mule" and was about to hand it over to a customer, when the apid Officer Withers entering the front door. Withers made a lunge for the glass but the woman was quicker than he, and succeeded in spilling it.

Secure Evidence. A plainclothesman had entered the place shortly after 8 o'clock and requested a bottle of "mule." He was refused a bottle but was told he could have a drink. The drink was poured and as Steve Lengyel turned to go to the cash register, the drink was poured into a small bottle and Lengyel placed under arrest, charged with unlawful possession of liquor for sale.

The "Carrie Nation" squad reached the spot shortly after the patrol had left with Steve Lengyel. Another search of the place was made, an additional quart bottle of "mule" being found near the bar. The work of destruction was then started. A 26-foot bar, front and back fixtures, four chairs, two tables and the front curtains and fixtures were included in the wreckage that was strewn about the place.

A new heavy hatchet, recently acquired, was used in the wrecking.

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GIVE THEIR OWN INTERPRETATION OF PROPOSALS

Reply to Harding Says They Agree Reluctantly But in Good Faith.

BOARD SETS HEARING

Wage and Rule Disputes of Maintenance of Way Men to Be Heard Aug. 23.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—Full acceptance of the peace proposals submitted by Pres't Harding was voted tonight by leaders of the striking railway shopmen who, however, gave their own interpretation of each of the three suggestions.

"We accept reluctantly, it is true, but commit ourselves to carry out the terms of settlement in utmost good faith and in aid of the general welfare," said the message of acceptance, which was sent to Pres't Harding tonight.

"If the proposals fail to bring about the results which you desire, the responsibility of failure will not rest upon representatives of the organized employees."

The United States railroad labor board today adopted a resolution to begin the hearing of wage and rule disputes involving the maintenance of way union on August 23.

The board's action is in line with promises made to E. F. Grable, head of the maintenance of way organization when the union's strike plans were abandoned last July 4. At this time an agreement was reached by which Mr. Grable instructed his general chairman to take up, with the individual roads, the matter of wages. It was provided that if an agreement could not be reached, the matter would be submitted to the labor board for an early hearing.

Cases involving 43 roads have now been submitted to the board. These railroads waiting their right to a 30-day notice before submission of the cases. Other roads are said to have pursued a similar policy.

45,000 MAY STRIKE
NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—A strike of 45,000 maintenance of way men on the New York Central "within a week was predicted here today by W. M. Parker, chairman of the system organization as a result of the road's refusal to accept Pres't Harding's plan for settlement of the shop crafts strike.

GOVERNMENT WANTS
WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—(By I. N. S.)—Failure of the railway managements to accept Pres't Harding's program of peace, accompanied by evidence that they are thirsting for a showdown fight with the federated shop crafts unions, threw the whole rail situation back to the White House today, with no immediate relief in sight.

Realizing that the government's next step may have to be one of far-reaching consequences, adherents to the president said today it is administration's plan to proceed slowly and with utmost care in a situation that is admittedly more critical now than it has been at any time since the tie-up began nearly five weeks ago.

It was considered likely today that

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LABOR LEADER'S CASE DISMISSED
"Con" Shea Released from Trial—Motions of Others Are Overruled.
CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—(By A. P.)—Not pressing the case of "Con" Shea; unsuccessful attempts to limit the consideration of evidence against "Big Tim" Murphy, Fred Mader and Daniel McCarthy, and John Miller's own story of how he drove the slayers of two policemen, marked the progress today of the trial of the labor leaders on charges of conspiracy to commit murder.

Lacking sufficient evidence against Shea, the state made no objection to a motion to dismiss him, and Judge Thomas Taylor, Jr., granted the motion and then overruled motions in behalf of Murphy, Mader and McCarthy to declare evidence concerning them as incompetent.

On the night of the killing, Miller said, "Foster" Stanley and Charley Deadend, who are now fugitives under indictment, came to his house and he drove them in his machine to the west side, the scene of several labor disturbances over the acceptance of a mediation wage award. They were stopped by a policeman.

"Charley said 'what you stopping for?' and I said, 'Don't you see an officer stopping us?'" The witness said, "The officer goes around to Charley and says: 'What have you got?' Charley says 'Nothing.' The officer searched him and then goes around to Stanley and said 'What about you?' Charley then fired two shots from the back seat, puts the gun to my back and says 'Don't stop for nobody or I'll kill you.'"

YACHTSMAN KILLED
CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—(By U. P.)—Dewitt L. Curtis, yachtman, was killed and 3 others injured, when an automobile in which they were riding struck over a 30 foot embankment last night.

Watch for Big News!

Railroad executives, 148 of them, coldly rejected the government's plan to settle the present rail strike. Striking shopmen accepted Pres't Harding's proposals. Pres't Harding has power to seize control of the roads. All unions threaten to strike if the shopmen are not returned to work.

States are now planning to operate mines while strikers and operators parley. Soldiers are on guard in mining zones.

Chicago threatens to operate its surface and "L" lines with strikebreakers. Police are preparing for "war."

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